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COMMUNICATION

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Sir:

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Allowance dated October 3, 2005 for the
above-identified patent application.

In the Notice of Allowance, the Examiner indicated that Certified Copies of New Zealand
priority applications Nos. 514184, 508218, 505154, 505155, 509039, 508433, 505156 and
508219 were not received.

The certified copy of New Zealand Priority Application No. 514184 was previously
submitted, copy enclosed, and acknowledged by the Examiner in connection with the parent
application, United States patent application Serial No. 10/072,271. The certified copies of New
Zealand priority application Nos. 508218, 505154, 505155, 509039, 508433, 505156 and 508219
were previously submitted, copy enclosed, and acknowledged by the Examiner in connection
with the grandparent application, United States patent application Serial No. 09/881,633.

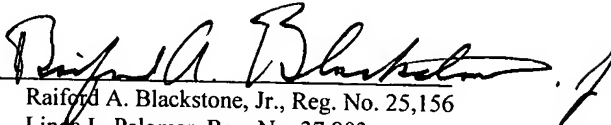
Therefore, Applicant submits that the priority claim has been completed. Acknowledgment of
the completion the priority claim is requested at the present time.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this Communication, the Examiner is invited to contact one of the undersigned attorneys at (312) 704-1890.

Respectfully submitted,

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